

Myself in order that the plan might be effectually carried into Execution, & as the first Article will be that the Agent shall reside in this City or at least so near as that he might often attend & see that every thing is regularly & punctually transacted (the necessity of which might be set forth in such Instruction) I do not think it improbable that Col<sup>o</sup> Lloyd will willingly resign & then he can have no Pretence for Murmuring. As I have wrote in the fullest manner to M<sup>r</sup> Calvert in relation to the Alienation Fines desiring him to submit the same to Your Ldp's Consideration I will not trouble Your Ldp by repeating here what I have said to him on that Subject, but I beg leave to inform Your Ldp that there never hath been since the Country was settled any Money paid by the Keepers of Ferries in this Province for Leave or Lycence to keep them most of the Ferries over the Rivers in this Province are supported & the Keepers of them paid by an Allowance made them every year in the County Levy, & those who are not so paid demand & receive from Passengers such Rates as they have themselves settled. I perceive that in Virginia there is an Act for Regulating Ferries & settling the Rates which Passengers are to pay at each of them, but the Keepers of such Ferries are not obliged to pay any money for Lycences to keep them, nor can I learn that there are any Lycenced Ferries in the Northern Colonies except one from the City of N York to Long Island, at the Disposal of the Corporation of that City, & the Ferry over the River Skuilkill near Phila<sup>a</sup> What are the other small Branches of Revenue which Your Ldp says Col<sup>o</sup> Lloyd has not accounted for I cannot guess; I will write to M<sup>r</sup> Hopper & desire Copies of the Accounts of Fines & Forfeitures which he rendered in 1755 & 1756 wherein Your Ldp says he gives as a Reason for not collecting £20 therein charged that the Person forfeiting or fined had runaway which might probably have been the Case it being what I know often happens & perhaps all his Effects had he not gone off would not have been worth half the Money, for these Fines & Forfeitures generally arise from Breaches of the Peace of which few except the lowest Sort of People are guilty. In my Letter dated the 23<sup>d</sup> of May I informed Your Ldp that Col<sup>o</sup> Lloyd had not paid any Money for several Years towards the Support of the Charity School which was set on foot in Talbot County & I shall now notify to him agreeable to Your Ldps Instructions that he is not to pay any more, & that Your Ldp has withdrawn Your Subscription, As the Commissioners for running the Lines who met according to Adjournment at Chester Town the 25<sup>th</sup> of March were of Opinion that the Surveyors should have Instructions to proceed in the same manner they had begun they will on

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